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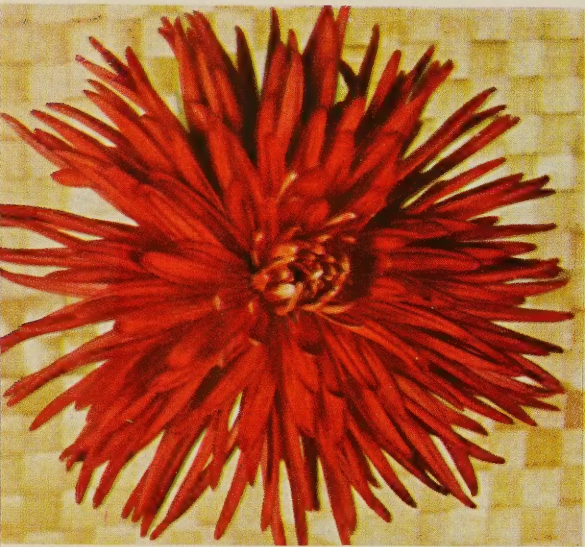
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Name and Description	Height in Inches	Blooming Date	Price Each	Price Per 3	Name and Description	Height in Inches	Blooming Date	Price Each	Price Per 3
Admiral. D. Rich velvety dark red that is glorious for cutting or garden display... 30		Oct. 5	\$1.00	\$2.50	Bronze Giant. (Lehman #1089.) New 1956! Imposing flower of bright intense-bronze in decorative form. 5-inch blooms produced in quantities on perfect upright stems, ideal for cutting. 30		Sept. 22	\$1.00	\$2.50
Admiration. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 14. Large flowers in a medley of gleaming peach and bronzy-salmon. 26		Sept. 28	1.00	2.50	Butterscotch. D. (Krause #1635.) Pictured p. 2. Giant blooms of golden yellow often 5 inches across. Early flowers golden-yellow later taking on bronze tints. Perfect bush habit. Magnificent!! 30		Sept. 26	1.00	2.50
Adorable. D. (Lehman #943.) Pictured on cover and p. 23. New 1956! This new pink has everything. Large flowers, early and dependable blooming, gorgeous color and breathtakingly beautiful. Color clear bright rose-pink with salmon reverse. Mr. Charles Nye the eminent Mum authority said when he first saw Adorable bloom "that is the pinkest Mum in existence barring none—a better pink than found in any of the Commercial Greenhouse kinds." 20		Sept. 15	.75	2.00	Canary. See Martin's Yellow.				
Aglow. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 9, 17. The nearest true orange-colored Mum to date. Quilled petals add to its charm. Early, free flowering; splendid plant habits. 24		Sept. 17	.75	2.00	Candlelight. D. (Kraus.) Well-formed flowers of ivory-white. Excellent habit... 20		Sept. 4	.50	1.25
Alert. D. (Becker.) Large, early, dark purple with a silvery cast. Very fine... 22		Sept. 20	.60	1.50	Carmine Queen. D. (DePetris.) Pictured p. 17. Tall, large, carmine-red pompon. A luxuriant cut flower. 28		Oct. 10	.60	1.50
Alex Cumming. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 16. Large flowers open cerise, maturing to delightful rose; center petals incurved. Extremely large and showy. 28		Oct. 3	1.00	2.50	Carnival. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 14. A large, gleaming burnt-orange flower. An excellent plant with lusty green foliage. 26		Oct. 10	.75	2.00
Apache. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 2, 8. Orient-red to dark brilliant firecracker-red with golden overcast. Quilled petals. Very tough, weather-resistant flowers, 4 to 5 inches in diameter. In bloom from mid September to November. 24		Sept. 15	.75	2.00	Cecil Beed. D. (Wallie's Gdns.) Pictured p. 17. Splendid early, full double, deep lavender-pink. Very dependable and free flowering. 24		Sept. 1	.60	1.50
Apricot Spoon. SP. (Lehman.) A pleasingly different spoon of light apricot-rose. Extremely free flowering. 28		Oct. 5	.60	1.50	Charles Nye. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 14, 17. Large, 3-inch fully double, rounded flowers of buttercup-yellow. Excellent. The standard by which all other yellows are judged. 28		Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Autumn Beauty. D. (Wallie's Gdns.) Pictured p. 23. A brilliant sparkling reddish chestnut. The best early bronze. 15		Sept. 4	.50	1.25	Chippewa. D. (Longley.) Pictured p. 7. Gorgeous, bright aster-purple, slightly incurved. Does well in the North. 24		Sept. 4	.50	1.25
Autumnsong. D. (Kraus.) Early wine-red shading to carmine. Entirely different color in Mums. 20		Sept. 12	.50	1.25	Chiquita. D. (Kraus.) A compact, dome-shaped pompon of deep lemon-yellow. One of the finest yellow pompons. 20		Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Avalanche. D. (Dreer.) Pictured p. 7. Large shaggy white with cream center. Everyone's favorite. Good for early cutting. 16		Sept. 4	.50	1.25	Chris Columbus. D. (Rosebud.) A most outstanding ivory-white. Luxuriant growth; unexcelled for cutting. 26		Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Beacon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 8. Full double, 4-inch flower of coral-apricot shading to flaming nasturtium-orange at center. Tall, sturdy plant for cutting... 36		Oct. 8	.60	1.50	Companion. D. (Lehman #987.) Pictured p. 17. New 1956! Reliable early blooming, fully double golden-bronze. A grand companion to the darker Early Kathleen. Excellent long stems for cutting. 24		Sept. 15	.75	2.00
Betty. SD. (C-P.) Pictured p. 8. Splendid upright rose-pink without a trace of magenta. One of the finest pinks. 28		Sept. 28	.50	1.25	Courageous. D. (Kraus.) Shining dark ruby-red, large double flowers. A truly magnificent plant. 26		Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Biretta. D. (Kraus.) Glowing soft cardinal-red. Tall, upright plant in bloom last week in September through October. 34		Sept. 23	.60	1.50	Creampuff. D. (Cunningham.) A light yellow sport of Powderpuff which gives us a good cushion in light yellow. 12		Sept. 18	.60	1.50
Blushwhite. SP. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Large, pert and crisp, chalk-white flowers underlaid with soft lavender. Never a misformed flower. 18		Oct. 7	.60	1.50	Crown Jewel. D. (Kraus.) A 3-inch, currant-red flower with a brilliant sheen. Strong, sturdy, free-blooming through October. 27		Oct. 1	.75	2.00
Bronze Cushion. D. Beautiful coppery-bronze cushion. Color lightens with age. 18		Sept. 28	.50	1.25	Crowning Glory. D. (Lehman #999.) Magnificent new flower of Spanish-orange overcast with coral, darker at center. Strong, upright plant. Could be described as a glorified Beacon that blooms two weeks earlier. 30		Sept. 25	1.00	2.50
					Cydonia. D. Pictured p. 15. Brilliant orange-chestnut overlaid with mahogany. Everyone likes it. 30		Oct. 8	.50	1.25
					Dainty. D. (Lehman.) A beautiful blend of light lavender-lilac aging to soft white with silvery cast. Very early. 16		Aug. 27	.50	1.25

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Defiance. D. (Kraus.) A bold flower of intense golden-yellow with quilled petals. Exceptionally firm substance. Strong upright plant with excellent cutting stems.	26	Sept. 17	\$0.60	\$1.50	George Luxton. D. (Lehman.) Extremely early, fully double, wide-petaled, soft bronze flowers 3½ inches in diameter. Excellent plant with abundant base branches. Excellent for cutting.	25	Sept. 12	\$0.75	\$2.00
Delight. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 16, 23. Large, perfect flower of golden-yellow. Excellent plant and foliage. We consider this the best early yellow.	26	Sept. 7	.60	1.50	Gladness. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 18. Fully double, clear China-rose. Dwarf, free-flowering plant. Winter hardy and one of the first to bloom.	18	Aug. 28	.50	1.25
Divinity. D. (Kraus.) Late blooming small white pompon.	24	Oct. 20	.75	2.00	Gold Bead. D. (Kraus.) Many tiny double golden-yellow flowers on dwarf plants.	16	Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Dr. L. E. Longley. D. (U. of Minn.) Earliest fully double bright rosy-lavender. Usually the very first Mum in our collection to bloom.	20	Aug. 20	.60	1.50	Gold Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Large flower of gold shading to aureolin-yellow on a dwarf plant. Tube longer than spoon and always about the same color.	18	Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Drifted Snow. D. (Kraus.) A mound of large, snow-white flowers shaded cream at center.	24	Sept. 16	.50	1.25	Golden Carpet. D. (Bristol.) A creeping mound of golden-yellow pompons. Superior for border.	12	Sept. 16	.75	2.00
Early Crimson. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 9, 23. Brilliant sparkling jewel-like pompon flowers of bright crimson on stiff upright plants. Very hardy.	26	Sept. 14	.60	1.50	Golden Hours. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 17. Early, deep lemon-chrome. Petals broad, overlapping and somewhat incurved. Very early cut flower.	26	Sept. 8	.50	1.25
Early Gold. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 15. Very early! Bright golden-yellow pompon with dark foliage. Excellent for pots or borders.	18	Sept. 4	.50	1.25	Golden Mound. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 18. Excellent golden yellow cushion. Numerous 2-inch flowers on short, dark green branches.	18	Sept. 12	.50	1.25
Early Harvest. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 18. A mass of charming mahogany-orange flowers for two months. Superior to all popular cushion varieties.	16	Sept. 7	.60	1.50	Golden Sunset. D. (Kraus.) Immense, burnished copper with ruby center. One of the most showy of recent introductions.	22	Sept. 26	.60	1.50
Early Kathleen. D. (Lehman.) An early coppery-bronze. A dead ringer in both color and form for the popular Kathleen Lehman, but two to three weeks earlier. Wonderful for cutting.	26	Sept. 12	.75	2.00	Goldsmith. D. (Floralane.) A new outstandingly brilliant yellow with good sized flowers and fine cutting stems.	28	Oct. 1	.75	2.00
Early Lavender. D. (Kraus.) A delicate-toned, early-flowering, pure pearly lavender with slightly deeper center. Free flowering and vigorous cushion.	20	Sept. 20	.75	2.00	Grace Bradshaw. D. (Kraus #1914.) Very large satin-smooth white flowers completely cover the long, strong plants. Husky and vigorous grower.	28	Oct. 2	1.00	2.50
Early Pastel. D. (Lehman.) A gorgeous combination of fawn-amber and apricot gives us the gorgeous pastel coloring of Mrs. du Pont a full month earlier. Very prolific.	22	Sept. 15	.75	2.00	Harvest Bronze. D. (U. of Minn.) A rich apricot-bronze with a gold undertone. Large, 3-inch flowers on a low plant. Very early.	15	Aug. 20	.60	1.50
Ermine. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 15, 17. Wide-petaled, pure white with cream center. Tall, sturdy plant and vigorous grower. Excellent when cut.	30	Oct. 1	.60	1.50	Helen Bogue. D. (Kraus #1955.) New 1956! Massive double purplish-rose. Model growing plant and warm pleasant coloring.	28	Sept. 30	1.00	2.50
Evelyn Devaney. D. (Lehman #1022.) Pictured on cover. New 1956! The most delicately beautiful of all new Mums. Color is new to Mums—true pearly shell-pink. Flowers are stylishly tailored with closely imbricated petals. Extremely healthy foliage and grand stems for cutting.	26	Sept. 26	1.00	2.50	Hero. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 9. Bright gleaming scarlet-red to spectrum-red. Free flowering.	24	Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Fairbow. D. (Kraus.) Heavy-blooming lavender-pink pompon. Splendid upright growth makes it a good cut flower.	24	Sept. 10	.60	1.50	Holiday. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 16. Strong plant supporting an abundance of bronze-gold flowers with pure bronze center. Large flower, excellent when cut.	24	Sept. 27	.75	2.00
Fire Engine. S. (Lehman.) Shining dark cardinal-red single with bright orange reverse. Petals open somewhat spoon shaped. Tall, showy grower.	36	Oct. 1	.50	1.25	Honeycomb. D. Pictured p. 9. Formal golden-yellow pompon.	24	Sept. 28	.75	2.00
Football Bronze. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 15. An extremely early, large-flowering, incurved bronze. Very tall, strong, upright plant.	26	Sept. 22	.75	2.00	Huntsman. D. (Bristol.) Bright scarlet-orange overlaid with bronze tints. Growth much like its parent, Carnival. Hardy and a good cut flower.	30	Oct. 10	.75	2.00
Fred Stone. D. (Kraus #1701.) New 1956! Large very dark bright red. Brilliant color. Extra good disbudded.	30	Oct. 1	.75	2.00	Indian Red. D. (Lehman #1057.) New 1956! Large Indian-rust colored Mum. Petals radiate from a unique center swirl which gives bold flower distinctive charm.	26	Oct. 3	.75	2.00
Garden Queen. D. An old standby in apricot-bronze. Extremely early flowering and very winter hardy.	20	Aug. 20	.50	1.25	Innocence. D. (Grand Mere.) Perfectly formed, 4-inch, pure chalk-white blooms on stiff stems.	24	Oct. 12	.75	2.00
Garnet Spoon. SP. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Tall, upright wine-red spoons with purple tubes and a domed yellow center.	26	Oct. 4	.60	1.50	Jayeff. D. (Martin.) Four-inch, full double flowers of deep positive pink, with a dazzling, drifting sheen. Holds color till frost.	24	Sept. 25	.60	1.50
					Jessamine Williams. SP. (Kraus #1891.) New 1956! Beautifully quilled white rayonnante spoon, early and very free flowering.	24	Sept. 25	.75	2.00

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Jeweltone. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 9. Sparkling bright rose-pink pompon. Excellent for pots or short-stemmed cuts. Really a jewel.....	24	Sept. 25	\$0.60	\$1.50	Muriel Rice. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 2. Fully double, 4-inch flowers of light primrose-yellow aging to deep cream early in the season. Later in the season it picks up a lavender tint much like Peace Rose. Another American variety showing the large flower influence of English blood. Extremely thrifty plant.....	26	Sept. 25	\$1.00	\$2.50
Joan Helen. SD. (Heuser.) Sparkling garnet-lake shading to purple; bright yellow center. Makes an excellent border.....	18	Sept. 10	.50	1.25	Myrtle Walgreen. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 17. Rich amaranth-purple underlaid with silvery lilac, aging to clean, clear mallow-purple. Excellent.....	26	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Jubilee. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 9. Opens crimson, mellowing to a deep clear red. Plant all aglow for weeks.....	18	Oct. 1	.60	1.50	Nanook. D. (Kraus.) A dwarf, compact mound completely smothered by white flowers with cream centers. We think this the best dwarf white cushion.....	14	Sept. 14	.50	1.25
Kathleen Lehman. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 14. Brightest orange-gold, deepening to red-gold at center. Exciting bronze shades.....	28	Sept. 28	.60	1.50	Nye's Favorite. D. Pictured p. 17. Masses of lavender-pink flowers with golden shadings.....	24	Sept. 12	.60	1.50
King Cushion. D. Bronze tints neatly contrasted. One of the best bronze cushions.....	18	Sept. 25	.50	1.25	Old Lavender. D. (Lehman.) Large, massive, pure lavender self flowers on strong, sturdy stems. Large, brighter and earlier than Lavender Lady.....	34	Sept. 30	.75	2.00
Lady's Choice. D. (Lehman.) A large pastel, which could be described as pink-ivory. A fully double, 4-inch flower on a magnificent plant. Fine for arrangements.....	36	Sept. 26	.75	2.00	Olive Longland. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 15. Three-inch, apricot-toned salmon-pink. The best of the pastel colors.....	24	Sept. 26	.50	1.25
Lee Powell. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 2, 8. Masses of fluffy Chinese-yellow flowers with a slight orange tinge at center. Very similar to large greenhouse varieties. Tall, upright bush.....	30	Sept. 23	.60	1.50	Orchid Helen. D. (Becker.) Pictured p. 9. Sturdy, orchid-pink flowers of unusual beauty. Very strong, healthy.....	18	Sept. 10	.60	1.50
Lemon Drop. D. (Lehman.) A yellow button pompon with a slight green overtone radiating from the center. Extra-fine foliage and habit. Very hardy.....	17	Sept. 8	.50	1.25	Orloma. D. (DePetris.) Apricot-red pompon on compact plant.....	22	Sept. 25	.60	1.50
Limelight. D. (Floralane.) Lively light yellow pompon. Very vigorous grower. Early; good for cutting.....	34	Sept. 28	.60	1.50	Orsona. D. (DePetris.) Red-bronze decorative. Bushy cushion growth habit.....	24	Sept. 25	.60	1.50
Little Eskimo. D. Pure white, ball-shaped pompons in abundance.....	18	Sept. 14	.50	1.25	Ostosa. D. (DePetris.) A top-notch new pure white pompon on a semi-dwarf plant. Free blooming and early.....	24	Sept. 25	.60	1.50
Loveliness Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. A superb, fully double, carmine-pink spoon. Unique.....	20	Sept. 26	.60	1.50	Paper White. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 23. Extra pure white flowers on dwarf plant. Excellent-textured, wide, flat petals. Does exceptionally well in the North.....	18	Sept. 10	.50	1.25
Magenta Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10, 16. Lively magenta-rose spoon flowers in profusion.....	22	Oct. 1	.60	1.50	Pathfinder. (U. of Nebr.) A new type flower—split-petaled or carnation-flowered. Clusters of bright gold flowers with deeply serrated petals on trim hedge-like plants.....	24	Sept. 22	.75	2.00
Major Cushion. D. (Harris.) Pictured p. 18. Super cushion of bright pink. Solid flowers and abundant bloom. Will not fade.....	15	Sept. 25	.50	1.25	Patricia Lehman. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 2. Sparkling geranium-pink with peach center. Recurved and twisted petals give a fluffy, feathery effect. Strong growth, good for cut flowers.....	24	Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Malinda Brown. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8. A magnificent clear self lavender-pink. Flowers globular, mounded at center; petals strongly incurved and twisted. Very strong and healthy.....	24	Sept. 27	.60	1.50	Pink Cushion. D. Pictured p. 16. Multitudes of pink flowers in great mounds.....	20	Sept. 25	.50	1.25
Martin's White. D. (Martin.) Immense, pure white flowers 4 inches across. Compact, bushy growth.....	18	Sept. 15	.60	1.50	Pink Opal. D. (Kraus.) Pale pearl-rose overlaid with cream tints. Extremely delicate and refined. Four-inch, full flowers.....	26	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Martin's Yellow. (Formerly listed as Canary.) Pictured p. 15. In our estimation the very finest early, large flowered light yellow in existence. Flowers very large, fluffy and exquisite light yellow.....	18	Sept. 15	.60	1.50	Plainsman. (U. of Nebr.) Another carnation-flowered variety. Color cinnamon-red with bronze shadings. Flowers produced in abundance on strong cutting stems. A distinct novelty.....	30	Sept. 24	.75	2.00
Mary Harrison. SD. (Kraus.) Bright, glowing aster-purple, lightening to phlox-purple. Excellent for cutting.....	24	Sept. 26	.60	1.50	Polaris. S. A golden-yellow daisy with two rows of wide stiff petals and large yellow center.....	24	Oct. 5	.75	2.00
Masquerade. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 9. A glistening mass of silvery-lavender and rose pompons. Trim, neat, compact flowers completely smother the plant.....	24	Oct. 6	1.00	2.50	Powderpuff. (Bristol.) A miniature avalanche of ivory-white flowers produced on low mound-like cushion plant.....	10	Sept. 15	.50	1.25
Mischief. S. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 16. A novelty. Blossoms under 1 inch in size smother the short cushion plant. Short petals of beetroot-purple to deep rose-red surround a big, bright yellow center.....	20	Oct. 1	.75	2.00	Prairie Sunset. D. (U. of Minn.) Very early rose. Beautiful color.....	18	Aug. 26	.60	1.50
Mojave Gold. D. (Kraus #1630.) Pictured p. 2. New 1956! Immense disk-like flowers of sparkling golden-bronze. Huge blooms. An exhibitor's favorite.....	28	Sept. 27	1.00	2.50	Prelude. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 17. Very large. Color combination of flesh-pink and maize-apricot. Unexcelled for early cutting.....	30	Sept. 9	.50	1.25
					Pumpkin Spoon. SP. (Lehman.) Densely branched plant with 3-inch flowers of persimmon-orange aging to stafford-yellow. Very free flowering and excellent when cut. Tubes tend to open when matured, giving effect of a bronze single.....	30	Sept. 30	.60	1.50

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Purple Cushion. (Inter-State.) A purple bud sport of Cecelia. Bright purple flowers completely cover the mound-like plants from late September to frost.	18	Sept. 26	\$0.50	\$1.25	Sonny. D. (DePetris.) Small salmon-pink button pompon. Fine for cutting.	28	Oct. 1	\$0.75	\$2.00
Purple Spoon. SP. (Lehman #950.) New 1956! The very earliest good-flowered spoon in our entire collection. Both tubes and spoons soft purple.	22	Sept. 20	.75	2.00	Spellbound. D. Husky, decorative plant with flowers of delicate pink.	22	Oct. 1	.75	2.00
Purple Waters. D. (Lehman #966.) New 1956! The best early deep purple in our collection. Completely double 3 inch flowers completely smother the two foot plants. If you like purple Mums this will please you.	24	Sept. 17	1.00	2.50	Spindrift. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 14. Luscious pure white with cream center. Slight cactus flare, like a dahlia. Three-inch flowers on 2-foot plants. Wonderful when cut.	24	Oct. 3	1.00	2.50
Red Elf. SD. (Lehman.) Dwarf, clean, bright red pompons on tiny plants not over 12 inches tall.	12	Sept. 9	.50	1.25	Success. D. (C-P.) Pictured p. 15. Large, rich, never-fading flowers of deep crimson. Rigid, upright plant. Very clean.	22	Oct. 7	1.00	2.50
Red Gold. D. (Longley.) Pictured p. 16. A lively combination of red and golden-orange. Very early.	20	Aug. 20	.50	1.25	Sulphur Spoon. SP. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. One of our earliest spoons of Mimosa to sulphur-yellow. Three layers of flat, spoon-shaped petals surround a fine yellow center.	22	Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Red Torch. S. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 16. Bright single red. A replacement for Louise Schling. A bit late but frost hardy. A mass of striking color.	30	Oct. 5	.50	1.25	Sunstone. SP. (DePetris.) Masses of soft yellow quilled spidery spoons on vigorous plants. Outstanding for flower arrangements and fine for garden decoration.	30	Oct. 8	.75	2.00
Redglow. D. (Kraus.) Dark glowing red pompon flowers in abundance. Courageous type plant. Excellent habit.	30	Sept. 20	.60	1.50	Talisman. D. (Kraus.) A button pompon of soft apricot overlaid with lavender-rose. Bud sport of Rosita.	26	Sept. 24	.60	1.50
Reflection. D. (Lehman.) An extremely free-flowering, deep rosy-lavender. Completely covers itself with bloom.	24	Sept. 26	.75	2.00	Tecumseh. D. (U. of Nebr.) Opens erthrite-red, aging to buffy-bronze with pink edges. Cushion growth.	18	Sept. 2	.50	1.25
Remembrance. D. (Kraus.) A deep ruby-carmine color that is retained for the life of the flower. One of the very best reds. Frost hardy.	24	Sept. 27	.60	1.50	Theresa Stone. D. (Kraus #1659.) New 1955. A glorious creamy-white pompon with a drifting-sheen of primrose and ivory. Very perky.	20	Sept. 26	.75	2.00
Reverence. D. (Kraus.) Extremely large, light chamois-yellow. Gives early individual flowers on 6 to 8 inch stems.	22	Sept. 3	.75	2.00	Time. D. (C-P.) Pictured p. 14. Very attractive, large, live, orchid-lavender blooms. Clean, medium-tall plant.	24	Oct. 5	.75	2.00
Rouge Cushion. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 7, 18. A far superior red semi-cushion. Intense red flowers show a small bright yellow center when matured.	15	Sept. 20	.60	1.50	Tribute. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 7. Large, fully double flower opening bright daphne-red and maturing to daphne-pink.	22	Sept. 14	.60	1.50
Royal Robe. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8. Beetroot-purple flower with a bluish sheen reflecting from the center. A very good all-around variety. Color superb.	27	Sept. 25	.75	2.00	Violet. D. (Longley.) Pictured p. 15. The best very early purple. Full dahlia-like-bloom with good color and substance.	20	Aug. 26	.50	1.25
Ruby Breithaupt. (Kraus #1867.) New 1956! Large, domed, shaggy flowers of pleasing light primrose-yellow. Excellent as a disbud.	28	Oct. 1	1.00	2.50	Wenonah. D. (U. of Minn.) Pictured p. 23. New 1955. Wonderfully free and early flowering pure soft lavender pompon. One of the very first to bloom.	18	Aug. 24	.75	2.00
Ruby Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Large, bold, firm, spoon-type flower of bright ruby-red.	24	Sept. 27	.60	1.50	White Cloud. D. (U. of Nebr.) Pictured p. 17. Large feathery, pure white. Strong plant. We consider this the most satisfactory of all white Mums for garden planting.	26	Sept. 20	.60	1.50
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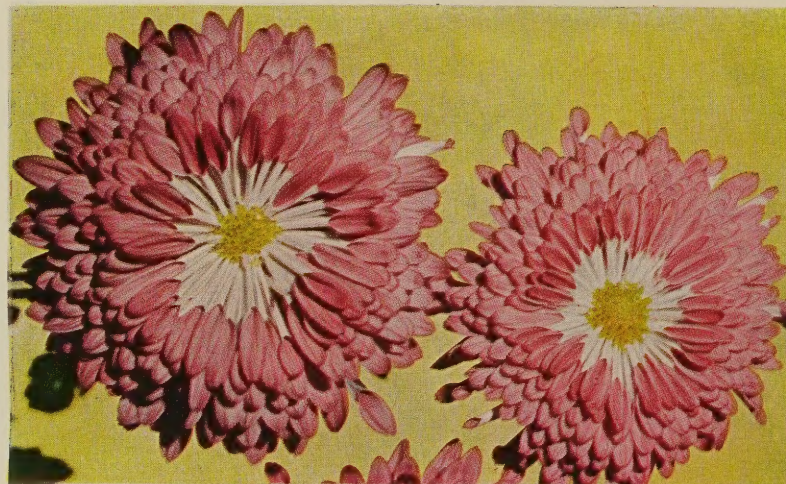
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MUM CHATTER

A year ago when I wrote this paragraph I remarked about what a wonderful growing season for Mums 1954 was. This year I must report just the opposite. We had an extremely hot season—in fact the hottest summer we have had in 25 years with temperatures between 90 and 100 for over 30 days. These high temperatures along with our very dry weather during the time that the Mums were setting buds retarded the blooming time on many varieties as much as 30 days. We have now come to the conclusion that for every day the temperature is above 90° during the bud formation time on garden Chrysanthemums the blooming time will be retarded about one day. We had very severe frosts on the ninth and tenth of September (this is the second time that has happened in 50 years) which did much damage to the flowers in the lower portions of our fields. The buds were just forming and were very tender at that time and the cold temperatures took its toll. We had no rain to speak of from September 1 until early November and the flowers that did come into bloom did not have the sparkle and the quality that we are accustomed to. All in all it was a very trying season because of the unusual weather. Many flowers such as Peonies, Daylilies and Glads were way off of schedule too. When we harvested our roots we found that they were extremely large and thrifty this year. This is perhaps due to the fact that not much of the plant strength was used in producing flowers so we feel that we have stronger stock from which to propagate our next year's plants. Inasmuch as "hope springs eternal" we are looking forward to a good year and are putting everything we have into a big planting for a glorious show next fall.

Among the new things that impressed us the most during this unfavorable season was **Adorable** that mound of rose-pink that bloomed better than ever. Another extremely fine soft shell-pink was **Evelyn Devaney**. This is an extremely soft color with a very fine tailored flower that lends itself so exquisitely to arrangements. **Companion** outdid itself in mid September with armloads of golden-bronze flowers. This, I think, has a great future in the North for an early cut flower. **Bronze Giant** which is extremely large and showy was outstandingly good. Of course there are limitations to the large flowers, as a plant only develops about half as many flowers when the flowers are large. **George Luxton** was extremely good here although it bloomed two or three weeks later than it normally does. **Goldsmith** impressed us as being a coming yellow that blooms in late mid-season. **Muriel Rice**, because it bloomed later than normal had much more color than we have seen it have in other years. Some of the late flowers showed very much of the bronze and lavender that you do not see earlier in the season. The two new carnation-flowered varieties developed by the University of Nebraska impressed us as being unique and distinct novelties. We liked **Pathfinder** in bright golden yellow and **Plainsman** in shades of bronze. We hope to have a white in that type next year.

Of the older varieties that really performed well during this off season were **Defiance** with its glittering gold quilled flowers and **Early Crimson** with its jewel-like ruby flowers. We liked **Early Harvest** the best of all the bronze cushion varieties this past season. It was outstandingly good. **Gladness** performed well for a rose cushion type. **Martin's Yellow** (new name for Canary) bloomed in all its glory. **Orchid Helen** although very late bloomed wonderfully well. **Success**, although very late, we consider to be the best of all the reds.

Dr. Kraus' things are a complete departure from the smaller spray Mums that we are accustomed to growing here. He has now developed and introduced a whole group of giant flowered kinds that we hope will be adapted to the great midwest climate. Some of the giants among these are **Helen Bogue** in purple, **Grace Bradshaw** in pure white, **Ruby Breithaupt** in primrose, **Mojave Gold** in deep bronze, and **Butterscotch** in shades of light gold. We now have two good spidery quills in other colors besides the yellow that we have been growing here for years: **Jessamine Williams** in white and **Sunstone** in very pale yellow. Dr. Kraus also has a nice group of pompons and buttons coming along that we hope to have ready next year. One has been released as **Theresa Stone** which is a gorgeous pastel pompon.

What Other People Say:

Mrs. W. M. B. of Marshall, Michigan writes: "I would like to tell you of the magnificent blooms I had from such plants as **Football Bronze**, **Ruthann Lehman**, **Reverence**, **Muriel Rice** and so many others. I raise flowers to sell, so I have to have the best plants I can buy. One of my customers said she would feel wealthy if she had as many lovely blooms as I had."

Another nice compliment comes from Mrs. E. B. of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee: "Our garden club had a guest who made arrangements and discussed the growing of Mums and she recommended your plants highly and used practically all her blossoms for arrangements grown from plants she had gotten from you people and they were perfectly beautiful. I never saw prettier."

Mrs. C. H. of Carthage, Illinois who has been growing our Mums for years says: "My Mums were exceptionally nice this year. As you know I have been buying from you for a number of years and have a good many of the older varieties as well as your 1955 ones. **Football Bronze** was outstanding as was **Muriel Rice** and **Pink Quill**. Among the older ones **Patricia Lehman** and **Olive Longland**, also **Carnival** were so good. **Patricia Lehman** has always been a favorite."

Letters like this one from Mrs. C. M. S. of Bountiful, Utah just make our buttons pop: "I simply had to tell you about your wonderful Mums. **Apache** was so outstanding, so was **Patricia Lehman**, **Lee Powell**, **Jewelstone**, **Fascination**, **Alex Cummings**, **Snowspoon** (so early), and **Chippewa**—all so outstanding and your service so excellent I simply can't praise you enough. Shall order your Mums for Birthday presents also. It certainly is a joy to deal with a company so reliable as yours."

From Sparta, Michigan, Mrs. R. A. has this to say about her Mums: "Will you please send your catalog to a cousin who was here and admired my beautiful Mum garden. My **Patricia Lehman** is by far my loveliest Mum, the **Olive Longland** is next, the early **Dr. Longley** is fine. My gardens are outstanding in our little town and do a lot of good for many. I have a couple hundred plants and try to keep all the sick and others cheered with them."

A word of praise for some of the new 1955 Mums comes from H. E. W. of Grandview, Washington: "Just a good word for your Mums. **Muriel Rice** was outstanding, **Football Bronze** out of this world, and **Lady's Choice** did exceptionally well. **Apache** is tops too."

Another customer sold on "Mums from Minnesota" is L. D. M. of Urbana, Illinois. "I wish you could see my gorgeous array of 'Mums from Minnesota.' Passers-by on the street come in to look—some of them strangers to me. I just want you to know how very pleased I am. The flowers are bigger and earlier than those from plants which I ordered from another place before I knew about you. These are the varieties which I have found most beautiful: **Fascination**, **Rouge Cushion**, **Early Kathleen**, **Real Gold**, **Patricia Lehman**, **Muriel Rice**, **Purple Cushion**, **Olive Longland**, **Reflection** and **Early Gold**."

Mrs. G. O. of Penn Yan, New York is another of our many satisfied customers and writes: "I am writing to tell you how very, very pleased we are with the hardy Mum plants we purchased from you. They have been, and still are, a show place in our garden. I must say my favorite is your **Football Bronze**. We have received so many compliments on them. The blooms are so large and such a deep bronze. Our **Muriel Rice** and **Crowning Glory** are also outstanding. On October 8 I furnished all the flowers for a church wedding. Eight of the baskets of four of the bridal bouquets were of your Mums. After they were arranged they were simply lovely. In spite of hot, dry weather our gardens were beautiful."

A blue ribbon winner from Columbus, Ohio is Mrs. N. E. J. who says: "I want you to know yours have been the nicest Mums I have grown. I took the Blue Ribbon on **Lee Powell** the first year I grew it. I gave cuttings to friends who in turn have taken ribbons."

From Hinsdale, Montana, Mrs. R. E. H. sends the following report: "The Mums I ordered from you arrived in fine condition. Your packing system is wonderful. **Cecil Beed** and **Early Gold** have done well for me here."

More good comments from D. C. P. of North East, Pennsylvania: "Your **Football Bronze** is now approaching full bloom and is a beauty and attracting much comment. Nice form, for a heavy bloom it stands up nicely. **Muriel Rice** started to bloom earlier and is a lovely shape. **Lady's Choice** is much better than expected, stands up nicely and will look nice. **Adorable** is a wonder, was a first to bloom, still looks marvelous. Yes that **Football Bronze** is nice."

Battling against the elements was Mrs. H. A. M. of Clinton, Oklahoma who says this about her Mums: "The past year of drought has captured all records. We had 80 days of 100 degree temperature or above. So, it's most surprising just how much punishment a Mum can take then give forth in all its glory. To mention a few that gave their all, **Apache**, **Yellow Spoon**, **Charm Spoon** and **Jayeff** is so good here! **Meditation** was grand, **Myrtle Walgreen** IS ALL YOU SAY IT IS."

A repeat customer is Mrs. C. F. of Lancaster, Missouri who writes: "I do wish you could have seen my **Fire Engine**, **Red Torch** and **Apache** last fall. They were simply gorgeous to put it mildly. They bloomed so profusely for a month or longer. All new plants received from you have always been strong, vigorous and healthy."

At Lebanon, Tennessee the following did well for Mrs. G. T.: "I loved them all especially **Lee Powell**, **Huntsman**, **Beacon**, **Moonbeam**, **Kathleen Lehman**, **Betty**, etc."

M. M. C. of Stanford, Kentucky is another of our satisfied customers: "I am writing to tell you how well pleased I was with the Mums I bought from you last year. **Patricia Lehman** and **Olive Longland** were my favorites. They outgrew any I had."

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CULTURE: Hardy garden Mums are among the easiest of all hardy plants to grow. They will tolerate almost endless neglect and still survive and give some bloom. To have them at their best, give them good culture, a sunny location, a rich soil, and do not let them suffer for want of moisture during the hot summer.

Mums in the garden should be planted in an open, sunny location and should not be shaded by buildings, large shrubs or trees for more than three or four hours per day. Any fairly rich soil, be it sandy, clay or loam, that will grow other flowers and vegetables well, will also grow good Mums. Peat moss, leaf mold or barnyard manure worked into the soil is an excellent conditioner and much to their liking.

PLANTING: Spring is by far the best planting season. The proper planting time is when the spring garden work is well under way and the heavy, ice-freezing frosts are past. Planting can begin about the time early tulips begin to bloom and can be continued until peonies are in bloom. Here in Southern Minnesota this would be from about late April until mid-June. Farther south this date would be advanced according to the climate. Young plants always give the best bloom so we recommend that clumps that have wintered be divided in the spring to individual shoots when they have made four or five inches of growth. You will be surprised how rapidly these small shoots will grow and how much better bloom they will give you than old crowded clumps.

SUMMER CARE: Good culture during the summer, with regular loosening up of the soil about the plants to maintain a constant supply of moisture, to aerate the ground, and to keep weeds from becoming established, is all that is necessary to grow good Mums. One or two applications of a well-balanced commercial fertilizer is beneficial but not absolutely necessary. Roughly, about a small handful of commercial fertilizer per plant at about one-month intervals is sufficient. The first application can be made in late July or early August. This highly concentrated fertilizer should not be used when the soil is dry, because foliage and root burn will result. Be sure that plenty of moisture is available at time of application.

WATERING: The best way to water Mums is to make a saucer-like depression about the plant, lay the hose on the ground, and let the water run slowly. The following day the soil can be loosened up and leveled again. A thorough watering like this should be sufficient for a week or ten days, even during the hottest and driest weather. Sprinkling the plants from overhead should be discouraged, for that invites foliage diseases.

PINCHING: To have sturdy and well-branched plants it is advisable to pinch the terminal shoots once or twice during the season. This operation is done with the thumb and forefinger and consists of removing about ½ inch of the soft growing tip of the main shoots. The first pinching should be done when the plants are about 6 inches tall, to induce lateral branches. When these lateral branches are 8 to 10 inches tall, their tips should be removed to induce more branches. Discontinue pinching by August 1, as the plants will soon be forming buds. The very early-blooming varieties should not be pinched after July 15. A well-pinchd plant will not need staking or other support, since the growth will be strong and sturdy and will stand erect.

SPRAYING: We recommend a simple spray program in gardens that have a wide variety of plants, which naturally harbor insects and diseases. Mums, like many other plants, are subject to attack by aphid or plant lice. These are easily controlled by spraying with Nicotine Sulphate (Black-Leaf 40) which can be procured at any drug or department store.

One or two dustings during the summer with a 5 or 10 per cent DDT dust or spray will eliminate other insects that sometimes attack Mums, such as tarnished plant bug, leaf-hopper, leaf-rollers and the stalk borer. If you should have fungous trouble on the foliage, one or two sprayings with the new preparation called Fermate should keep your plants healthy.

BLOOMING TIME: It has been definitely proved that Chrysanthemums are sensitive to light and that the length of day determines the blooming time for a given variety. Since Minnesota is quite far north, where naturally the fall days are shorter than farther south, a given variety will normally bloom 20 days earlier here than in Texas. We are located approximately 200 miles north of Chicago, and we know that the same variety will begin blooming for us four or five days sooner than in Chicago. From this we deduct that perhaps two days for every 100 miles of latitude is about the average difference in blooming time. Interesting, isn't it?

WINTER PROTECTION: The purpose of winter protection is probably more to keep the cold in the ground than to keep it out. A favorable location, one which does not allow ice and water to stand over the plants, is very necessary. It is the alternate thawing and freezing that does the winter damage to garden Mums. After the tops have been killed by frost, the stems should be cut off 2 to 3 inches above the crown and burned to prevent the spread of foliage disease. We have found that any light, porous material that will remain more or less dry during the winter is ideal for covering. Excelsior, evergreen boughs, marsh hay, and cornstalks are very good if applied after the ground is slight frozen. Leaves applied and kept dry with a waterproof covering will also make very fine covering.

Kodachrome Slides

We have a set of Kodachrome Slides of Mums that makes an excellent free program for garden clubs, flower societies, study groups or church organizations. We gladly lend them to any reliable group entirely free of charge. This set contains more than 100 35 mm. or 2-inch kodachrome Slides, all about Mums. Pictures included are individual flowers, borders, garden and field scenes, and other pictures pertaining to mums—all in full color. A short descriptive text accompanies the slides, which makes the showing time about one hour. The organization using the pictures need only supply the screen and projector.

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I showed the slides yesterday at my garden club and everyone thought it one of the most outstanding programs we have had.—Mrs. R. F. W.

Cbester, Connecticut

Last Thursday evening our club members and guests had the pleasure of seeing your beautiful color slides of Mums. They were indeed a treat and made a fine climax to our year of intensive study of Mums. The pictures were an inspiration to us and should surely induce us to go right on raising Mums.—Mrs. R. B. M.

Westfield, Wisconsin

On behalf of the members of our club, I wish to express appreciation for a most colorful and interesting program. We were all so enthused over your beautiful collection.—Mrs. D. W. W.

Waukegan, Illinois

Please allow me to congratulate you on a most beautiful collection of slides. Our Mens club and their ladies enjoyed them tremendously.—W. K. F.

New Kraus Daylilies

We have been given the great privilege of introducing to American gardens these fine new Hemerocallis developed by Dr. E. J. Kraus. Years of painstaking and careful selective breeding have gone into the development of these fine new Daylilies. Over a half-million seedlings were grown in order to give you these handsome and dependable flowers. This is the first time many of these varieties have been offered.

The plants we send out are young, vigorous, full-crowned plants grown in fertile soil in wide nursery rows. We do not ship divisions from old worn-out clumps. You can be assured that these new Daylilies are of the highest quality. Our plants are sure-to-bloom.

ATEN (Kraus No. 4733) 1952.

38 inches. Late. Large, glistening nasturtium orange. A massive flower with extremely heavy substance. Strong well-branched growth habit. No other orange can hold a candle to this magnificent flower. We predict this will rate among the top ten when better known. \$3.00 each.

BROWNSTONE (Kraus No. 2230) 1950.

36 inches. Mid-season. Wide glossy, warm, brown-purple, margined cream. Entirely sun resistant. \$2.50 each.

CHICO (Kraus No. 1917) New 1955.

26 inches. Early mid-season. A small free flowering apricot flushed with peach, faint lavender eye zone. Excellent variety for arrangements. \$3.00 each.

FELICE (Kraus No. 185) 1950.

40 inches. Late mid-season. Very large, non-fading pale cadmium yellow. Long petals with margins waved. Tips abruptly narrowed and gracefully reflexed. Splendid strong grower. \$2.50 each.

MABEL FULLER



YELLOWSTONE

FLAMBEAU (Kraus No. 2060) 1950.

36 inches. Mid-season. Bright flame-scarlet, retains color and texture entire day. \$2.50 each.

MABEL FULLER (Kraus No. 2441) 1950.

36 inches. Mid-season. All segments reflexed. Deep ruby-red underlaid with spectrum-red and having a bluish sheen. Very luminous, like a glowing jewel. Color holds well in hottest sun. Honorable mention Hemerocallis Society 1952. In our estimation the finest red self to date. \$3.00 each.

MONONA (Kraus No. 507) 1950.

30 inches. Mid-season. Large glistening waxy orange, very free blooming. \$2.50 each.

PALLIDA (Kraus No. 1918) New 1955.

28 inches. Early mid-season. Small flowered salmon-buff, with pinkish overcast. Faint eyezone carrot-red. \$3.00 each.

PAMELA (Kraus No. 26) 1950.

40 inches. Late mid-season. Excellent, wide flaring, waxy, broad-petaled, buttercup yellow. Extremely sturdy, well-branched scapes. In fact the model of perfection in this respect. Should be in every collection. \$2.00 each.

SPENCER FULLER (Kraus No. 4643) 1951.

40 inches. Mid-season. Large ruffled glowing coppery-bronze. Giant flower beautifully ruffled and reflexed adding much to its charm. \$2.50 each.

WOODROSE (Kraus No. 1896) 1950.

36 inches. Early mid-season. Not pink but resembling the Hawaiian Woodrose. Rich, soft, coppery red with a soft satiny sheen. Very large eyespot garnet shading to Nopal red at the base. Repeat bloomer from June to October. \$3.00 each.

YELLOWSTONE (Kraus No. 478) 1950.

36 inches. Mid-season. Large, free flowering light yellow. Wide petals, creped and ruffled. Delightful sweet fragrance. An improved Hyperion. \$2.00 each.

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All-American Red

Admiral
Apache

Courageous
Crown Jewel

Early Crimson

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$2.90

(\$3.70 value)

5

All-American White

Ermine
Ostosa

Spindrift
White Cloud

Winterset

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$2.80

(\$3.40 value)

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**All-American
Lavender-Pink**

Evelyn Devaney Old Lavender
Malinda Brown Patricia Lehman
Reflection

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$3.00

(\$3.70 value)



SPECIAL OFFER!

30 All-American Mums

(1 of each listed on this page)

\$16.50
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All-American Bronze

Autumn Beauty George Luxton
Crowning Glory Holiday
Kathleen Lehman

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$2.85

(\$3.60 value)

5

All-American Yellow

Charles Nye
Delight

Lee Powell
Muriel Rice

Ruthann Lehman

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$2.75

(\$3.30 value)

5

All-American Purple

Alert
Chippewa

Myrtle Walgreen
Purple Waters

Royal Robe

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each)

\$2.75

(\$3.35 value)



ADORABLE. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00



EARLY CRIMSON. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50



AUTUMN BEAUTY. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25



DELIGHT. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50



WENONAH. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00



RUTHANN LEHMAN. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50

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Earliest
MUMS

All begin to bloom in late August and early September. Excellent stems for cutting or garden display.

7 Sure-to-Bloom Plants

\$3.40
(1 of each pictured)



PAPER WHITE. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25

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